

NEWSLETTER

4TH MARCH 2022

WELCOME

Hello everyone,

It's been a pleasure coming back after the holidays and falling straight back in to our learning. This week has been 'Book Week' which we've all thoroughly enjoyed! We've had great fun dressing up as our favourite book characters today, sharing our favourite stories and have loved taking part in different workshops. See our 'Book Corner' below for more of the fun! Thank you Mrs Sibbit for all your hard work!

We've also had an incredibly exciting delivery of new library furniture. Whilst the library is fully functioning and open to the children, we hope to have an official opening ceremony in the near future.





We've had a few visitors to the school lately. These have been made up of Headteachers from other schools, prospective candidates, leaders from Laurance Haines and Beechfield and many more and consistently, they comment on how polite our children are and how calm things are here at Cherry Tree - a very big well done to our children! We are proud of you!

Thank you so much to those parents who attended our first 'Parent Hub' with Mrs Wickham and Miss Massey. It was lovely to see so many of you and we look forward to seeing even more of you at our next one.

We have lots of exciting events coming up in the next few weeks, keep an eye out for how we will be celebrating Comic Relief (Friday 18th March) and Autism Week (28th March - 3rd April).

Have a lovely weekend,

Cheska Tyler

We are kind, we aim high, we are brave!

TWEET WITH US!

We are very active on Twitter and share lots of learning, information and photos on our staff Twitter accounts. Please give us a follow:

Here are some of our Twitter accounts:
School account <u>@CTS Watford</u>
Miss Tyler <u>@headcherrytree</u>
Mrs Hill <u>@MrsHillCTS</u>
Pastoral Team/Ms Massey <u>@CherryTreePST</u>

There are many more as every class teacher has an account so please take a look!

WATFORD TOWN CENTRE PROJECT

We have been invited to be involved in an exciting project this term at Cherry Tree along with three other schools in the area. The children have been asked to share their ideas with the local council about how they would change Watford Town Centre in the future. Our Eco Council suggested a bio-diverse garden to encourage more bees and butterflies around the town. Children from across the school shared their fabulous ideas which contributed to the Eco Council's final design. This is now on display in Watford Town Centre at 'The Urban Room' (15 Queens Road), please try and visit!



READING CORNER

We have had a fantastic World Book Week at Cherry Tree this week! It all started with a West End Dance workshop for the children in Reception, Years 1 and 2.





The children danced their way through the story of the Gingerbread Man and had so much fun! Have a look on Twitter for some great videos of the children in action.

Berries have been writing their own version of The Three Billy Goats Gruff...



Reception have been busy this week enjoying and reviewing the stories of Julia Donaldson and reading outdoors in the

sunshine.







By Friday the whole school was over run with book characters! We were also able to visit our newly refurbished library which was brilliant!!!









We are looking forward to many happy hours of reading in our amazing new library.

Happy reading... Mrs Sibbit Reading leader

OUR SITE TEAM

Whilst we appoint our Premises Assistant, we have been supported by the Site Team at Beechfield: David Greenfield and Cephas Maswoswa. Both David and Cephas have been working hard on the Cherry Tree site to make sure it is safe, clean and truly glowing for our community here. We'd like to say a very big thank you to them both!

We would also like to say a special thanks to them for building our new library furniture, you can see them testing this out in the photo here:



SHROVE TUESDAY

Reception had a visit from Watford Schools Trust this week to talk about Shrove Tuesday. They learnt about how and why this is celebrated by Christians, including Pancake races that royalty now take part in. Everyone thought about what they are thankful for and created their own frying pans with decorated pancakes.





KEEPING OUR CHILDREN SAFE

Please remember to talk to your children about how we keep each other safe here at Cherry Tree.

We use the below language regularly so please try to use this at home too. Thank you for your ongoing support.







SPEAK OUT



DON'T TOUCH



Please don't forget to vote to help us win £500 from the Asda Green Token scheme: Green Tokens - Vote | Asda

The Friends of Cherry Tree School would like to say a huge thank you to the following children and their families. Between them, they raised £1,880! The children displayed many talents...we have future academics, mathematicians, footballers, runners, singers, dancers, horse riders, bakers, artists, eco warriors, gymnasts, problem solvers, entrepreneurs and extremely kind and helpful children here at Cherry Tree! Thank you for aiming high and raising funds for our school.

Effie (Acorns), Leo R (Acorns), Ruby (Acorns), Samuel (Birch), Ben (Maple), Kasthoori (Maple), Samreen (Maple), Viktor (Maple), Eva (Cedar), Oscar (Cedar), Praanav (Cedar), Isaac (Willow), Logan (Willow), Faizan (Hazel), Naomi (Hazel), Uthman (Hazel), Imaan (Sycamore), Safiya (Sycamore), Scarlett (Sycamore), Lawrence (Ash), Dexter (Yew), Katie (Yew), Esther (Fir), Toby (Fir), Alice (Elm), Lawrence (Elm), Maisie (Elm), Azka (Oak), Gabriel (Oak), Heath (Oak), Sarah (Oak), Shreya (Oak).



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday 18th March - Comic Relief Friday 1st April - End of Term, school finishes at 1.30pm Thurs 14th July - Year 6 Transition Day

NURSERY ADMISSIONS

Register your interest <u>here</u>. We will accept applications between now and the start of the next school year, subject to avaliable spaces.

VACANCIES

We currently have the vacancies below. Please visit our 'Vacancies' page on our website to apply. If you would like to discuss the roles then please contact the school office who will direct you to the right person.

- Premises Assistant
- Midday Supervisor Assistant
- Class Teacher

SCHOOL MILK SUMMER TERM

Please refer to the email that was sent yesterday to order school milk for your child on <u>Arbor</u>, for the Summer term. The deadline to order milk is 18th March 2022

RECEPTION HEALTH CHECKS

This is a reminder that the School health team will be in school next week to do school entrance screening for our children in Reception.

XTRA TIME - AFTERSCHOOL CLUB

Bookings are open for Spring 2, click <u>here</u> to register for a place!

Our after school club runs from
3:15pm until 6pm. The children have
a wealth of activities to choose from
and are provided with a light tea.
Please see www.xtratime.co.uk for more info!



Bookings are open for Spring 2. If you would like to book your child into the morning club you can register via your Arbor Parent Portal and choose from daily or half-termly sessions, subject to availability. Click here-for more information and to view the booking guide.





TOP CHERRIES!





Our Top Cherry Award is an award to celebrate exceptional behaviour, learning or manners. These children really are going above and beyond!

Lunchtime Champion - Sagaana - for her dedication, great attitude and for being an excellent role model.

Hub Champion - Ben - working well with his peers during Fireflies Forest School.

Berries - Jude - For always working hard in class

- Hakim - For excellent retelling of the class story

R Conkers - Roman - For showing a positive can do attitude and working really hard with his phonics and reading.

R Acorns - Chloe - For great contributions at carpet time and aiming high in everything you do.

Y1 Birch - Tanay - For consistently working hard in every lesson, challenging yourself to aim high and doing it with a happy smile on your face. Well done for showing us how much you love learning.

Y1 Maple - Theia - For consistently aiming high in class. This week she retold the story of 'The Enormous Turnip' beautifully.

Y2 Willow - Aizah - For working her absolute hardest in everything she does and taking initiative to improve in Reading, Writing and Maths. Wow!

Y2 Cedar - Pranaav - For aiming high in your writing and always working hard in class!

Y3 Sycamore - Jamie - For Aiming High with his writing and doing his best!

Y3 Hazel - Jannat - For aiming high with her writing this week

Y4 Ash - Ayaan - For his enthusiasm and positive attitude in everything he does. He is an excellent role model to his peers, always working hard and aiming high.

Y4 Yew - Nakshatra - For always working hard, trying her best and being an amazingly supportive and patient learning partner.

Y5 Pine - Rohan - For always working hard in class. You always aim high and do it with a smile on your face. You are a joy to teach.

Y5 Fir - Prince - For working so hard in class this week and always having a go!

Y6 Oak - Saaliha - For putting 100% into her diary writing this week. She has really pushed her vocabulary and uplevelling. It's a pleasure to read her work.

Y6 Elm - Maisie - For putting amazing effort into her writing including her handwriting this week Well done, Cherries!



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